

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, after the title, insert the new heading and new paragraph as follows:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims the priority of French Patent Application No. 02 12215, filed on October 2, 2002, and the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/428,723, filed on November 25, 2002, the contents of both of which are incorporated herein by reference.